

Northwestern Alaska National Parks Climate Change Scenario Planning Workshop



AK Regional Office, Anchorage April 19-21, 2011 -- Room 309

AGENDA

Tuesday April 19th

9:30 a.m.		ARRIVAL and COFFEE
10:00 a.m.	Plenary (Bob W.)	 Welcome: Introductions & Participant Expectations Workshop Objectives, Agenda, Ground Rules
	(John M.)	 Explain Scenario Planning, Review Scenario Process, and Introduce the Focal Question(s)
10:30 a.m.	Plenary (Nancy F.)	 Present science information / overview / present a case study to illustrate scenario process General insights
11:15 a.m.	Plenary (Nancy F.)	 Climate drivers / uncertainties -> handouts Potential impacts -> handouts
		 How to create scenarios using uncertainties Drawing from drivers and impacts tables to build scenarios
12:00		LUNCH
1:00 pm	Plenary (John M)	Video of CC Scenario, break into 2 groups by park (rooms 309 & 322)
	Groups (Don /John; Nancy F. & Nancy S.)	Build Scenario Frameworks: Identify key climate drivers with "high uncertainty" but "high impact and importance" leading to challenging, plausible, relevant, and divergent futures. Also identify relatively certain climate drivers.
2:45 pm		BREAK
3:00 pm	Groups	Continue to build climate driver framework identify key characteristics of scenarios: Select climate drivers and test matrix combinations. Draw from impacts table to detail implications for each scenario (e.g. natural & cultural resources, facilities, interpretation)
4:45 p.m.	Plenary John/Nancy	ADJOURN – final thoughts for the day

Wednesday April 20th

8:00 am		ARRIVAL and COFFEE
8:15 am	Plenary (John M. / Nancy S.)	 CC Video Second thoughts and overnight insights Re-cap process (what we did and where we are going, including the next step to nest climate scenarios into a socio-political framework)
8:45 am	Plenary	Report-out: Groups share draft climate driver frameworks with key characteristics of scenarios
9:15 am	Plenary (Don C w/John M.)	 Describe Socio-Political Framework relevant to Alaska Explain nested scenarios Provide a few example narratives from nested scenarios
9:45 am		BREAK
10:00 am	Groups	Explore Socio-Political drivers and implications Combine selected "bioregional climate drivers" and "socio-political" frameworks to develop nested scenarios leading to challenging, plausible, relevant, and divergent futures. Briefly discuss all 4 climate driver scenarios within each quadrant of the socio- political framework, and select 2 or 3 nested futures to develop and build robust narratives for these scenarios.
12:00 pm		LUNCH
1:00 pm	Groups	Continue building robust narratives and characters for the selected nested scenarios and draft two scenario narratives. (Groups may subdivide into 2 scenario teams for each park unit)
2:45 pm		BREAK
3:00 pm	Groups	Groups report out internally the process for climate driver selection and nested scenario selection and describe the selected nested climate futures (stories) and refine, as needed for report out to larger group
4:15 pm	Plenary (John M.)	 Groups share process for selecting 2-3 nested scenarios for challenging, plausible, relevant, and divergent futures and re-cap selected scenarios and draft storylines (15 min each + discussion) Groups prepare to bring back printed narratives by 8 AM next morning.
4:45 pm	Plenary (Nancy S.)	FINAL THOUGHTS / QUESTIONS/ADJOURN for Day & Group Dinner @ Muse

Thursday April 21st

8:00 am		ARRIVAL and COFFEE
8:15 am	Plenary (John M.) (Jeff M.)	 Video of Climate Change Scenario Overnight Insights and share written narratives. Explain management implications & actions Presentation: From implications & actions to management decisions: various ways to use insights from scenarios; tips on communicating scenarios and formulating no regrets actions Start to identify potential actions for each of 3-4 chosen nested scenarios.
10:00 am		BREAK
10:15 am	Groups	Develop recommendations for selected scenarios based on mgmt. implications. Focus on no-regrets actions that apply to all selected climate futures, when possible. Prepare for testing and scientific validation of scenarios, and consider the best way to communicate the issues.
12:00 pm		LUNCH
1:00 pm 2:00 pm	Groups Plenary (Bob W., Nancy F., John M., Jeff M.)	 Groups consider management implications to revise scenario narratives in follow-up webinar NEXT STEPS How do we use this work and where do we go with it? What actions apply to all scenarios => least regrets actions? Incorporate scenario planning into landscape-scale collaboration and adaptation (working with neighbors and across jurisdictions)
3:00 pm		BREAK
3:15 pm	Plenary (Bob W., Nancy F., John M., Jeff M.)	 Need for follow-up discussions/teleconferences to flesh out scenarios and actions for up to 3 examples for each administrative unit Draft report from SNAP, web links and access to data Public Outreach and sharing CC scenarios within and outside NPS units. Final thoughts from Superintendents.
4:15 pm	Plenary (Bob W).	FINAL THOUGHTS / THANKS/ADJOURN